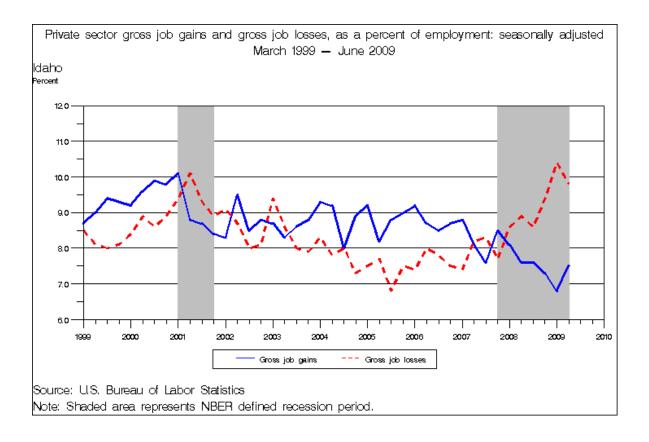
Trends in Gross Job Gains and Job Losses

Opening and expanding private sector business establishments in Idaho gained 37,691 jobs in the first quarter of 2009. Over the quarter, expanding establishments added 29,546 jobs, while opening establishments added 8,145. Gross job gains were lower than in the previous quarter at opening establishments, but higher at expanding establishments.



Gross job losses totaled 48,908 in the second quarter of 2009. In the second quarter of 2009, contracting establishments lost 38,130 jobs, while closing establishments accounted for a loss of 10,778. (See table A.)

Table A. 3-month private sector gross job gains and losses, seasonally adjusted

Category	3 months ended				
	June	Sep.	Dec.	Mar.	June
	2008	2008	2008	2009	2009
	Levels				
Gross job gains	41,269	40,993	38,827	35,289	37,691
At expanding establishments	32,550	31,836	29,162	25,997	29,546
At opening establishments	8,719	9,157	9,665	9,292	8,145
Gross job losses	48,700	46,621	49,612	54,035	48,908
At contracting establishments	38,823	36,693	40,290	44,143	38,130
At closing establishments	9,877	9,928	9,322	9,892	10,778
Net employment change 1	-7,431	-5,628	-10,785	-18,746	-11,217

¹ The net employment change is the difference between total gross job gains and total gross job losses. See the Technical Note for further information.